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**CHIANG SPONSORS EVENT TO EDUCATE NON-PROFITS ABOUT TAX  
EXEMPTIONS**

John Chiang, Chair of the State Board of Equalization, has joined with Public Counsel to sponsor a one-day series of workshops to assist non-profit organizations in identifying and claiming tax exemptions. The event will take place Tuesday, June 28, from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Public Counsel, 610 South Ardmore Avenue, Los Angeles.

“Non-profit organizations have played a huge role in providing desperately needed affordable housing, medical services, educational opportunities, and employment assistance throughout Los Angeles County,” said Chiang. “These workshops are designed to give them the information and tools to help build stronger community organizations.”

The sessions will cover such subjects as community and economic development opportunities for nonprofit organizations; the California Nonprofit Integrity Act of 2004; charitable raffles and raffle registration requirements; and income, sales, and property tax exemptions for qualified non-profit organizations.

Specialists from the BOE, Public Counsel, the Employment Development Department and the Internal Revenue Service will be leading the various sessions.

Chiang was first elected to the Board in 1998. He represents the 4<sup>th</sup> District, which includes 73 cities in Los Angeles County and more than 8.5 million people.

The five-member Board of Equalization is a publicly-elected tax board. The Board in 2003-04 collected \$44 billion in tax and fees supporting state and local government services.

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